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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON BELARUS ANTI-U.S. RESOLUTION DELIVERED, USUN
MISSION FOLLOW UP RECOMMENDED

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REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

¶1. (C) PolOff discussed talking points per reftel on the
demarche on Belarus' anti-U.S. United Nations resolution with
Ismatullo Nasredinov, Head of the Department of European and
American Countries at Tajikistan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs
November 15.

¶2. (C) Nasredinov acknowledged Belarus' counter-resolution and
noted that Belarus has not yet solicited Tajikistan's support
for the resolution. He noted that for Tajikistan, this will be
a tough decision, given its ties with Belarus. He added that
Tajikistan will likely abstain.

¶3. (C) Post recommends the U.S. mission to the United Nations
approach Tajikistan's mission to the United Nations directly to
deliver talking points per reftel. All senior and cabinet level
Tajik government officials are occupied with November 18
inauguration plans for newly re-elected President Rahmonov.
With rumors swirling of a cabinet reshuffle, no one will be able
to make a decision on this counter-resolution quickly and it
will be extremely difficult for Post to obtain meetings prior to
the inauguration. Given the lack of instruction from Dushanbe,
additionally delivering the message to the Tajik UN Mission may
prove effective.

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